

Amendment and Response  
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39. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 38 wherein the polymeric stent comprises an ultraviolet curable epoxy or an adhesive material.

47. (Four times Amended) A method of generating light inside a mammalian body, comprising the steps of:

placing at least a distal portion of an interventional device light inside a mammalian body, the distal device portion comprising an incandescent lamp, the incandescent lamp comprising a housing, a pair of electrodes inside the housing and an oxidizing filament connecting the pair of electrodes, the housing being filled with a pre-selected gas capable of generating light of a predetermined color;

electrically connecting the incandescent lamp through a proximal end of the interventional device to an energy source; and

causing the incandescent lamp to generate short duration, high intensity light waves of the predetermined color for a medical purpose.

#### REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-12, 14, 15, 17, 20-30, 32-44, 47-50, 52-63 were pending in the application, all of which are rejected in the Office Action. Claims 49, 50, and 54-59 are canceled without prejudice. Claims 32, 39, and 47 are amended by the instant Amendment. Upon entry of the instant Amendment, claims 1, 4-12, 14, 15, 17, 20-30, 32-44, 47, 48, 52, 53, and 60-63 are pending and presented for reconsideration. Applicant respectfully submits that no new matter is introduced by the instant Amendment. A marked-up copy of the pending claims and a clean copy of the pending claims, as amended herein, are enclosed.

Claim 32 is hereby amended to recite with more particularity that the claimed light source includes a rigid gas-containing tube. Support for the amendment may be found in the Specification at, for example, page 10, lines 3-15. Claim 39 is amended to correct a typographic error. Claim 47 is amended by incorporating all the limitations previously contained in claims 49 and 50.